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1. A method of inventorying a required implant or tissue product from a source of such products, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a wireless mobile hand held electronic device;

providing a data base for the inventory of implant or tissue products;

and synchronizing the hand held electronic device with said data base to determine the inventory of implant or tissue products.

2. The method of claim 1, further comprising providing a source of implant or tissue products.

3. The method of claim 2, further comprising ordering an implant or tissue product from said source by use of said hand held electronic device.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein said data base is comprised of more than one supplier of implant or tissue products.

5. The method of claim 1, further comprising providing multiple hand held electronic devices and including the additional step of synchronizing more than one hand held electronic device to the data base.

6. The method of claim 1, further comprising providing a camera in the electronic hand held device and transmitting video signals to the data base.

7. The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving an image selected from the group consisting of x-ray containing a measurement marker on the x-ray and a CT/MRI Scan with a reference scale on the mobile hand held device.

8. The method of claim 7, including the step of using the measurement marker on the x-ray or scale on a CT/MRI scan to determine at least one of (1) a size of the implant, tissue product or any segment or (2) angle on the Image.

9. The method of claim 8, wherein the step of using the measurement is effected by employing software to enable the hand held electronic device to relate the measurement marker or reference scale, to the tissue product, implant or any object in the image.

10. The method of claim 3, including the step of identifying the user of said hand held electronic device; recording one or more sequences of inventory requests for or ordering of an implant or tissue product by said user and establishing a profile for said identified user based on said requests or orders.

11. The method of claim 3, wherein said hand held electronic device transmits the order via wireless communication to said source.

12. The method of claim 3, wherein said hand held electronic device transmits the order to at least two sites selected from the group consisting of:

- (1.) a purchasing agent;
- (2.) a main office source;
- (3.) an office of a distributor; or
- (4.) a home office of the ordering user;

13. The method of claim 2, wherein each product is assigned a bar code, the method comprising the additional step of ordering the product via the wireless hand held electronic device including the step of integrating the bar code with the order.

14. The method of claim 1, including the step of reconciling the inventory in the data base.

15. The method of claim 3, including the step of confirming the placement of the order.

16. The method of claim 1, including the additional step of transmitting information on the product from either the hand held electronic device or the data base.

17. The method of claim 16, wherein said information is at least one selected from a product specification or a video of surgical techniques.

18. A hand held electronic device for use in inventorying or ordering an implant or tissue product, said device comprising:

a display screen;  
a wireless communication transceiver;  
software to synchronize the hand held electronic device to a data base of an inventory of implant and tissue product products.

19. The device of claim 18, further comprising a measuring means to determine the size and/or angle of an implant or tissue product from an x-ray or CT/MRI scan.

20. The device of claim 18, further comprising a camera.

21. The device of claim 18, further comprising means to place an order from said hand held electronic device.

22. The device of claim 18, further including means to send product information, video surgical techniques and other information concerning implant or tissue products from either the hand held electronic device or from a remote data base.

23. The device of claim 21, including means to integrate a bar code associated with the product with said order.

24. The device of claim 18, further comprising a modem.

25. The device of claim 18, further including means to display on said display screen the procedure for determining inventory of, and placing an order for, implant or tissue products.